# THE CITY OF DEXTER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, MAY 14 2018

## A. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

## **B. ROLL CALL**: Mayor Keough

P. Cousins D. Fisher
J. Knight Z. Michels
J. Smith R. Tell

Also present: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Marie Sherry, Treasurer/Finance Director; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; Robert Smith, Dexter Area Fire Department Chief; residents and media.

## C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- 1. Regular City Council Meeting April 23, 2018
- 2. City Council Work Session April 23, 2018
- 3. City Council Work Session May 2, 2018

Motion Smith; support Knight to approve the minutes of the April 23 2018 Regular City Council Meeting, the minutes of the April 23, 2018 City Council Work Session, and the minutes of the May 2, 2018 City Council Work Session as presented.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

#### D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

## E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve the agenda with the following addition:

• Additional information for item L-2, Purchase of a Water/Sewer Vehicle.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

## F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

## G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Cole Miller of 7654 Forest reported that he has been attending the City Council meetings and videotaping them for YouTube since November and he would like to see the Council purchase equipment to record City meetings.

#### H. COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Upcoming Meeting List
- 2. Sign Calendar
- 3. Letter from Escanaba re: Dark Store Tax Tribunal Case
- 4. Thank You Letter from Dexter Area Historical Society and Museum

#### I. REPORTS

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

Mr. Schlaff submits his written report as per packet. Mr. Schlaff gave the following updates:

- They have begun working on the water lines and sewer at Baker Road for the Grandview Commons project.
- 2. Community Development Manager Michelle Aniol

Ms. Aniol submits her written report as per packet. Ms. Aniol gave the following updates:

- I will be meeting with Megan Masson-Minock from Carlisle Wortman to prepare for the next Joint Council/Planning Commission meeting on June 4.
- I have added Grandview Commons to the Quarterly Report and 150 Jeffords will be added in the fourth quarter.
- I met with the representatives from Sonar Plastics who are completing the purchase of the old Thomson Shore building at 7275 Joy Road.
- The 3045 Broad Street Committee will be meeting tomorrow, May 15, 2018.
- I met with Dexter Schools in regards to the Creekside ball fields and turf in order to look at the water going into Mill Creek and the location of the proposed trail.
- The Tree Board distributed over 200 seedlings for Arbor Day festivities.
- I met with Boy Scout Grady Wheeler who is working on a merit badge. He wants to work on parking issues in the City.
- I sent comments back to the Redevelopment Ready Communities program and they would like to meet with the City.
- 3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

No Reports

4. Subcommittee Reports

No Reports

## 5. City Manager Report – Courtney Nicholls

Ms. Nicholls submits her written report as per packet. Ms. Nicholls gave the following updates:

- The bond rating was confirmed at AA which is good news.
- The DTE Agreement has been signed for the removal of the sub-station.
- I received an email from Father Brendan asking if there would be any interest in the property at Dover and Third for a Fire Station.
- Mr. Schlaff gave an update on issues at 3173 Baker regarding a leak and a sink hole that was found at Elastizell on Second Street which may have be caused by a wooden water main.
- The contractor on the Sidewalk Project will begin on or around May 17, 2018 and crack sealing will begin on or around May 21, 2018. Discussion followed on the placement of sidewalks.
- Bids came back on the Roundabout Project, and were close to the engineer's estimate.

## 6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

Mr. Keough submits his written report as per packet. Mr. Keough gave the following updates:

- The next Facility Workshop meetings will be May 29, 2018 and June 11, 2018 at 5:30 PM.
- I have received only one email on road congestion in the past week.
- Thank you to Mayor Pro-Tem Tell for speaking at the Memorial Day ceremony.

## J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$579,420.99

2. Consideration of: Setting a Public Hearing on June 11, 2018 for the Water and Sewer Rates Ordinance

3. Consideration of: Setting a Public Hearing on June 11, 2018 for the 2018-2019 Millage Rate Budget

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2 and 3 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

## K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

None

#### L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

# 1. Discussion of: Housing Committee

Council Member Michels explained a proposed process for establishing a Housing Committee. Mayor Keough and Mr. Michels will meet to establish recommendations for the formation of a committee.

2. Consideration of: Purchase of a Water/Sewer Vehicle in FY 18-19 for an amount not to exceed \$34,500

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve the purchase from Todd Wenzel Buick GMC in July 2018 of a Water/Sewer vehicle for an amount not to exceed \$34,500.

Ayes: Cousins, Knight, Tell, Fisher, Michels and Smith

Nays: Keough Motion carries

3. Discussion of: Adoption of 2015 International Fire Code

Ms. Nichols explained that the current fire code was adopted in 2006 and the City will be looking to update that code to the 2015 Fire Code with a Public Hearing at the second meeting in June. Chief Smith explained how the code is adopted and the need for updating. Discussion followed.

4. Discussion of: Website Request for Proposals

Mr. Breyer discussed the Request for Proposal for updates to the City's website and the need for updating. Discussion followed.

## M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cousins None Tell None Fisher None

Jones Thank you to Mr. Schlaff for personally responding to my call regarding

flooding at the Dexter Historical Museum.

Smith None Knight None Michels None

## N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Cole Miller of 7654 Forest reported that it is easy to set up video equipment, trim video, and post video to YouTube. Its use would be good for Dexter to enable the City to record other events such as the Pelham sign dedication coming up.

# O. CLOSED SESSION FOR POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec. 8

Motion Cousins; support Knight to move into Closed Session for the potential purchase of property in accordance with MCL 15.268 Sec. 8. at 8:24 PM.

Ayes: Tell, Michels, Knight, Cousins, Smith and Fisher

Nays: Keough Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Knight to leave Closed Session at 9:01 PM.

Ayes: Fisher, Smith, Cousins, Knight, Michels, Tell and Keough

Nays: None Motion carries

Motion Cousins; support Michels to direct the City Manager to proceed as discussed in Closed Session.

Ayes: Smith, Cousins, Knight and Michels

Nays: Tell, Fisher and Keough

Motion carries

## P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Knight to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

Approved for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_